STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The primary purpose of this legislation is to implement new Commercial Driver's License Testing and Commercial Learner's Permit standards. Legislation is needed to assure compliance with federal regulations: (Docket: FMCSA-2007-27659 Commercial Driver's License Testing and Commercial Learner's Permit Standards and as amended by FR Docket 2013-06760 on March 25, 2013.) In order to provide program consistency the legislation limits class D instruction permits and motorcycle instruction permits to one renewal, without needing to retake the knowledge test.

FISCAL NOTE

If this bill passes, approximately \$20,000 in vendor programming costs will be incurred to implement changes to ITD's automated systems.

If this proposal fails, there will be up to 4% withholding of certain federal highway funds after the first full federal fiscal year of non-compliance. Withholding begins (10/1/2015) and up to 8% each year thereafter (10/1/2016 and beyond). The highway fund loss at maximum levels of withholding would be up to \$9.6 Million in FFY16, and up to \$19.2 Million per year starting in FFY17 (and ongoing) of certain Federal-aid highway amounts apportioned to the state [49-U.S.C. 31311(a) and 31314]. The apportioned program funds affected are: National Highway Performance and Surface Transportation.



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